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November 7, 1961

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U. S. Secret Service
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Dear [redacted]

Reference is made to your telephone conversation on this date with Supervisor John S. Temple, of my office.

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that General Edwin A. Walker, who recently tendered his resignation to the Defense Department, has been invited to appear in Los Angeles in connection with a forum on anticommunism which is to be conducted at the auditorium of the Hollywood High School by [redacted] on November 18, 1961.

This is to be coincident with the announced appearance of the President of the United States in Los Angeles at a $100 a plate dinner which is understood to be held at the Palladium Ballroom in Hollywood. The aforementioned source has advised further that it is anticipated that a crowd numbering above the approximate 2,000 capacity of the Hollywood High School auditorium may be expected to march the ten or so blocks between the High School auditorium and the environs of the Palladium in demonstration against certain policies of the present administration.

The above facts have not been entirely corroborated through other avenues, and continued efforts are being made to determine further details of the above-reported event.

Another source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that overtures have been made by [redacted] to obtain the parking lot of the Moulin Rouge adjacent to the Palladium for an "antinucleur war demonstration," [redacted]

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Further efforts are accordingly being made to obtain additional details and identities in this reported demonstration which might appear at marked variance to the above-described "pro-right" group. Your office will be promptly advised as these details are developed.

Very truly yours,

W. G. SIMON
Special Agent in Charge

SOURCES: [redacted]

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Los Angeles, California
November 8, 1961

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GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING

All sources shown below have furnished reliable information in the past.

A source has advised that General WALKER has been invited and has agreed to address an "indignation" rally to be staged November 18, 1961, at the auditorium of the Hollywood High School, 1521 North Highland Avenue, Hollywood, California, in protest of present national policies, the meeting being arranged by [redacted] b6 b7C entitled "Symposium on Freedom", held generally every other Saturday at the Hollywood High School, admission $1.00 and featuring such conservative speakers as DEAN CLARENCE MANION, WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY, JR.

Source stated that it is expected numerous admirers of General WALKER are expected to travel to Los Angeles from nearby Orange County and San Diego to hear him speak.

Source stated that he understands that the group meeting to hear General WALKER the night of November 18, 1961, has sought and obtained police clearance to parade from the Hollywood High School, about ten blocks, to "the Palladium" Ballroom, 6215 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, at which it is currently expected the President of the United States will address a dinner gathering that same night.

Source further advised that another group, expecting to conduct an anti-nuclear warfare demonstration, has pre-empted the use of a parking lot, across the street from "the Palladium", at 6230 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood. This parking lot has been engaged for the hours of 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., November 18, 1961, by the group which describes itself as

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"Help Establish a Lasting Peace", according to its spokesman, NORMAN LAVET, Doctor of Osteopathy, 1449 North Gardner Street, Los Angeles.

Another source has advised that a 1944 Communist Party, USA, Membership Card No. 103277, signed by SAM DARCY, Secretary of the Communist Party for the State of Pennsylvania, was issued in the name of NORMAN LAVET, February 19, 1944.

It is further noted that the California Legislature, Fifth Report of the Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, 1949, Page 99, lists "For a Lasting Peace, For a People's Democracy" as the then existent cominform official newspaper.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-DEAD)

RE: GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
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Remyairtel 11/6/61.

Enclosed herewith is the original and five copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding captioned matter.

[redacted] orally furnished info therein [redacted] b7D

Anonymous source to Philadelphia Agents [redacted] b6
[redacted] Et Al, 4/4/44 for LAVET CP membership. b7C

Secret Service and local police authorities have been advised at Los Angeles. Matter is being followed on continuing basis and Bureau will be promptly advised of pertinent developments.

Carbon Copies furnished San Diego and San Francisco for information.

Letterhead memo is classified "Confidential" because info from [redacted] b7D

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Indices of Los Angeles office show nothing [redacted] identifiable with "HELP" Group. [redacted] b7D stated it appears a name to cover [redacted]. Los Angeles alert for other evidence, activity this group.

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Fly Your Flag Tomorrow

Gen. Walker to Speak in Calif.

DALLAS, Nov. 10 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker, 52, who resigned from the Army after a dispute about the type of anti-Communist training he gave his troops, plans a nationwide speaking tour.

He said his first public speech since he quit the military will be in two or three weeks. He said last night the tour will be from Florida to California.

Los Angeles Herald-Express

Date 11/10/61

Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

RE: Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker

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SUPERVISOR JOHN S. TEMPLE

PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO LOS ANGELES, 11/18/61
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to Los Angeles airtels to the Bureau dated 11/6 and 8/61 captioned "GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER, INFORMATION CONCERNING, IS."

[redacted] today advised [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

forthcoming symposium on freedom to be held 11/18/61 at Hollywood High School featuring as guest speaker General EDWIN A. WALKER.

The symposium, aka "Indignation Rally," will also feature parade from Hollywood High School to Hollywood Palladium on night of 11/18/61 wherein President KENNEDY will appear as principal speaker.

Secret Service, Los Angeles, today advised [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] SA PAUL W. GIBBS, Los Angeles Division [redacted] SA GIBBS is and has been on extended sick leave due to ulcer condition.

On 11/9/61 at 2:50 p.m., the foregoing information was furnished to FRED BAUMGARTNER, Section Chief, Division 5, Internal Security Section, by the ASAC; and he was asked

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67-4385 (PAUL W. GIBBS)

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whether it was advisable to have SA GIBBS contact [redacted] for the purpose of requesting him to "drop out of the limelight" in view of the possibility that his relationship to SA GIBBS might be publicly disclosed, possibly resulting in embarrassment to the Bureau. Mr. BAUMGARTNER advised that no action whatsoever should be taken in this matter at this time by the Los Angeles Office and to await for further instructions from the Bureau. Mr. BAUMGARTNER instructed that the Los Angeles Office continue to furnish the Bureau with information concerning this matter. b6 b7C

[redacted] at 2:25 p.m. on 11/8/61 telephonically contacted the Los Angeles Office, at which time he advised [redacted] SA GIBBS. He stated the purpose of his call was to advise that he, together with a group of people, would take part in a "peaceful demonstration" in front of the Hollywood Palladium on 11/18/61 at approximately 7:00 p.m., where President KENNEDY is expected to address a Democratic dinner party. [redacted] stated his group will carry placards which will bear such slogans as "What About Cuba?" and "No Foreign Aid to Communist Countries."

November 23, 1961

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GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING

A source which has provided reliable information in the past, has advised that General EDWIN A. WALKER, who recently resigned his Army commission, has been counselled through close associates and friends to make no appearances of a public nature and to make no expressions on current issues until after he has made an expected appearance before the Senate Sub-Committee on Internal Security. Source stated that General WALKER's attorney, [redacted] known only to source as a lawyer of high reputation, whose practice is on the Eastern Seaboard of the United States, has been contacted by the General's friends with similar advice. b6 b7C

It is expected, according to source, that after appearance before the Senate committee above, the General will accept a present invitation to appear personally at "Project Alert," School of Anti-Communism presented by the Navy League, and sponsored by the Southern California Freedom Forum, Citizen's Freedom Center and Motion Picture Alliance, December 11 to December 15, 1961, at Los Angeles, California.

Source further advised that General WALKER is aligned with the John Birch Society and that this fact will definitely be made public, presumably during the expected appearance of the General before the Senate Sub-Committee on Internal Security and/or the "Project Alert."

Source further advised that, contrary to some newspaper speculation, there is no indication that General WALKER intends to run for office, but to the contrary, he is being counselled by associates and friends to refrain from that course and take up, on a sporadic basis, judiciously selected invitations to speak in different parts of the country.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5164)

RE: GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

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Enclosed herewith is an original and five copies of a letterhead memo re captioned matter.

[redacted] advised re General WALKER. [redacted] requested his identity be concealed.

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Los Angeles, California
January 10, 1962

GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that all tickets have been sold out for the speech by General Walker January 11, 1962, at Los Angeles Sports Arena, capacity approximately 14,000, under sponsorship of Freedom Forum of First Congregational Church, Los Angeles. The topic of Walker's address is "Make Mine Freedom." Source advised that about 50 persons greeted Walker at Los Angeles Airport morning of January 10, 1962, and Walker appeared later in taped interview on George Putnam TV news review January 10, 1962, stating, among other things, that he joined John Birch Society while commanding U. S. troops at Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1959.

Source advised that it is expected many chartered buses will be run from outlying Los Angeles communities to attend Walker's address, these parties including many John Birch Society members.

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AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5164)(P)

RE: GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING
INTERNAL SECURITY

Remyairtel 11/23/61.

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Source therein is [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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Lack of U.S. Leadership In Politics Hit by Walker

Resigned Major Gen. Edwin A. Walker, key figure in the controversy over alleged muzzling of top military officers, charged both major political parties have lacked "responsible leadership for the last 16 or maybe 28 years."

Walker, often appearing agitated, freely admitted during a stormy news conference yesterday at the Biltmore Hotel that he is a member of the ultra-conservative John Birch Society.

He vehemently denied charges that he tried to tell soldiers under his command how to vote.

He said his troop information program in Germany that triggered the storm over "muzzling the military" was designed only "to bring out the individual in each soldier."

Walker was relieved of his divisional command and reassigned after being accused of indoctrinating his troops with what was termed Birch Society teachings.

Asked by newsmen if he was a Birch member, he replied:

"I am a member. If I wasn't a member today, I would seriously consider becoming one in opposition to anti-anti-communists."

He said he joined the Birch group in 1959 while commander of the Arkansas Military District in Little Rock.

DIRE PERIL

The 35-year-old West Point graduate, in Los Angeles for an address tomorrow night at the Sports Arena, singled out former President Dwight Eisenhower as being primarily responsible for "the dire peril" facing the nation from the communists.

But, he added, President Kennedy and former Presidents Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt must share the blame.

Asked about former Vice President Richard M. Nixon's statement that both major parties ought to shun extremes of both the right and the left, Walker commented:

"I would like to see someone start down the middle of one of your streets and see what happened to him.

"Neither party has had responsible leadership for the last 16 or maybe 28 years. We've had all we need of the middle of the road leadership."

Walker, who resigned from the Army following his reassignment, sparred with newsmen over a ban on television cameras at his speech tonight sponsored by the freedom club of First Congregational Church.

CITES RIGHTS

"I have the right of freedom of speech," he declared. "And that includes to whom, where and when I speak."

He charged the Columbia Broadcasting System station in Dallas, Tex., cut off the sound while televising his speech there.

The blue-eyed, brown-haired one-time career soldier lashed out at the press in general for what he called not supporting "the cause of freedom" and not making "clear to us our responsibility to all the countries of the world."

Queried over possible political intentions, Walker said he has made no "committments" to run for office or to support any candidates.

However, when asked if he would support Los Angeles County congressmen Edgar Hiestand and John Rousselot, both avowed Birch Society members, he answered:

"You can answer that better than I."

Walker declared every organization in the nation, including the press and the church, is infiltrated by communists.

He accused the State Department of helping Fidel Castro take over Cuba. "There were members of the State Department who had a common interest in Castro's take over of Cuba," Walker said.

The Citizen-News
Hollywood, Calif.

Date 1-11-62

Los Angeles Division

Publisher: DAVID B. HEYLER

RE: Edwin A Walker
Ex Gen.

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Walker Carries His Crusade to Southland

Former General Will Speak Tonight on What He Calls His War in Freedom Cause

Edwin A. Walker, who gave up the stars of a major general to wage war for what he defines as the cause of freedom, brought his crusade to Los Angeles Wednesday.

He was welcomed at International Airport by a cheering crowd of about 50.

He faced the press in two conferences with the discomfort of a man more accustomed to issuing orders than answering questions.

At 7:30 p.m. today in the Sports Arena he will make his first West Coast speech since his controversial military career came to an end, and the sponsoring Freedom Club of the First Congregational Church has promised a capacity audience of 15,000.

Loud Conference

In a long and often loud conference at the Biltmore, Walker and newsmen bickered repeatedly over questions and answers but the former general made these principal points:

1—This country has "retreated from victory" for 16 years and he holds former President Eisenhower responsible to the extent that a "dire peril" referred to by President Kennedy exists.

2—Neither political party has provided proper leadership for those 16 years and perhaps for 28 years.

Birch Member

3—He has been a member of the John Birch Society since May of 1959, but even if he weren't he would become one to combat the current "anti-anti-communism."

4—American soldiers will fight but today they must "fight for the right to fight."

5—There are "all sorts of people" in the U.S. government who assist the Communist cause "with or without intent" by reducing individual rights, states rights and national sovereignty.

6—He could, but wouldn't at this time, name a "few" Communist sympathizers in the State Department. But there are many all-out believers in Socialism, which is really no different.

7—The Communists haven't failed to infiltrate anything in America, including the press. And the press has been misrepresenting the situation, this country's image — and himself.

8—He has "never told a soldier who to vote for." It would be difficult even for himself to say whether he is a Democrat or a Republican. And he has made no plans or commitments to run or campaign for anything except America.

Asked about former Vice President Nixon's advice to Republicans to shun extremists of both left and right, Walker said:

"I would hate to see someone start down one of your streets in the middle of the road and see what would happen to him.

Bucks Extremists

"If he (Nixon) is indicating middle-of-the-road leadership, we have had enough of it. This country was not established by moderates. If it's superpatriots and extremists we need, I suggest we get them."

As for the Pentagon's announcement this week of a committee to study and advise on indoctrination of military personnel, Walker said:

"It's about time. It's badly needed. It's 15 years behind time."

Walker flew in from Tucson at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday aboard a Continental Airlines Viscount.

"Keep fighting, General," the crowd yelled, waving placards marked "Win With Walker" and "Walker 'Ism' Heap Big Patriot" and "We Want Walker."

"I can't help but fight and win," he shouted back, before wading into the airport crowd to shake hands and sign autographs.

At one point he exchanged his Texas Stetson for a paper Uncle Sam hat and posed for photographers.

He joined the crowd singing "God Bless America."

Dozens of American flags waved in the crowd. As he reached the bottom of the steps from the plane he received a red, white and blue bouquet from Andre Papas, 5.

On hand to greet him were Dr. L. A. Alesen, director emeritus of the Freedom Club; Gerald A. Sheppard, chairman of the executive committee of the Freedom

Los Angeles Times

Date 1-11-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: NICK B.WILLIAMS

RE: Edwin A Walker Ex Gen.

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WELCOME FOR WALKER—Edwin A. Walker wears a paper Uncle Sam hat given to him by someone in a cheering group of about 50 gathered to welcome him at airport. He will speak tonight at Sports Arena.

Club; Wes Cameron on loan from the Ingram Paper Co. to help publicity for the program and Jim Bishop of Bishop and Associates, public relations firm, which has volunteered to handle publicity for the rally.

Uses Caution

In a brief airport interview Walker was cautious, answering questions only after lengthy pauses.

"I have no planned commitment at the moment," he said when asked about his political plans. He has been urged to run for the governorship of Texas and the Presidency of the United States.

"There's quite a bit of time left," he noted when quizzed about the deadline for filing in the gubernatorial race.

He said his topic tonight will be the military cause and its relation to the American people.

He said he had noted on his recent travels a rise in the patriotism of Americans and a demand of the people for their rights under the Constitution.

When pressed for details, he said he was referring to freedom and liberty when he mentioned Constitutional rights, and he mentioned particularly states' rights.

A car full of extra police was on duty at the airport but there was no disturbance.

The crowd gave three cheers and sang "God Bless America" as Walker drove off to the downtown press conference.

Public Must Meet Threat

Walker Warns on Reds Here, Abroad

Enemies on both the home front and abroad are equally detrimental to the cause of freedom, and aroused and informed American public must meet the threat.

This was the opinion expressed here by resigned Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker at a press conference in the Biltmore Hotel, as he prepared to speak tonight at a meeting of the Freedom Club of the First Congregational Church in the Memorial Sports Arena.

REDS EVERYWHERE

General Walker charged Communists "have not failed to infiltrate" any segment of American institutions.

Asked specifically if he believes Communists have infiltrated any armed services, General Walker replied:

"The method here would not be successful — that is in infiltration of the military — but it would be in an effort to bring about separation of the military in the causes and purposes of freedom from the causes and purposes of the American people."

The General said, when probed on his political "activities," that he is "campaigning for America every day of my life."

MUM ON CAMPAIGN

When asked if he would campaign for the reelection to congress of his fellow John Birch Society members, Reps. John A. Rousselot and Edgar W. Hiestand, General Walker remained silent—and he did in response to many questions.

General Walker evaded questions on whether he intends to run for governor of Texas, and on whether he would lead a movement to organize a third political party to be composed of patriots and so-called right wingers.

GIFT OF ROSES

Among those greeting him at the airport here was Andrea Papas, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Papas of Torrance, who presented the controversial Walker with a bouquet of roses.

Walker joined in with a chorus of "God Bless America" and immediately popped an Uncle Sam hat on his head and smiled broadly to the chants of "We Want Walker—We Want Walker."

When asked if he had any regrets in quitting the Army for being "muzzling" after more than 32 years military service, Walker replied: "I should say not."

Los Angeles Herald-Examiner

Date 1-11-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: HERBERT H. KRAUCH

RE: Edwin A Walker Ex Gen

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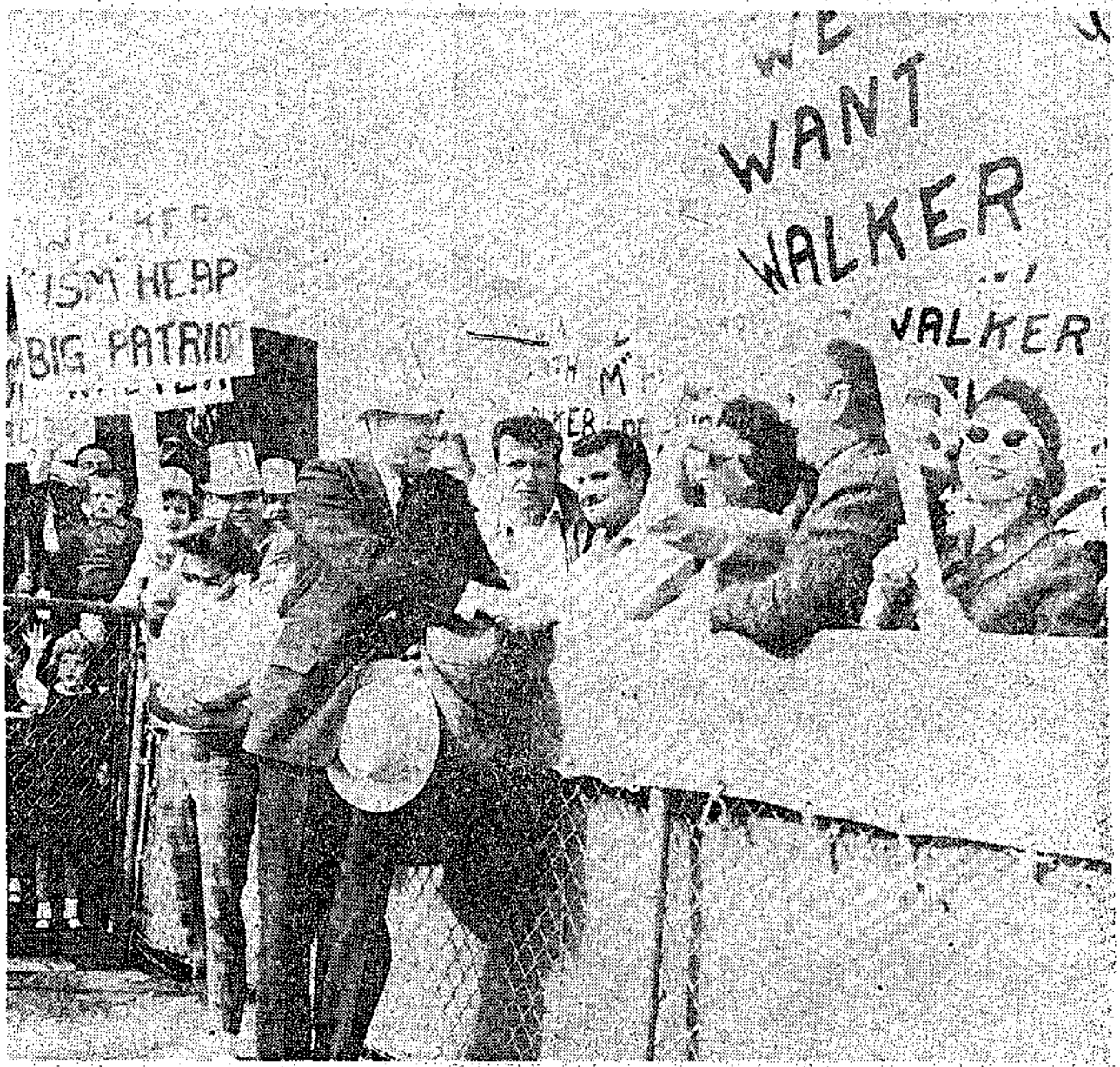
Gen. Walker Greeted in L.A., To Address Freedom Club Rally



—Herald-Examiner Photo

Retired Gen. Edwin A. Walker, scheduled to address a Freedom Club rally in the Sports Arena tonight, dons an Uncle Sam type hat and shakes hands of greeters as he arrived at Los Angeles International Airport. Walker quit the Army recently in a dispute over alleged muzzling. (Story on A-20.)

7,000 Arrive Early to Hear Walker Speak

A crowd of 7,000 persons was in the Sports Arena Thursday night half an hour before Edwin A. Walker made his first speech here under sponsorship of the Freedom Club of the First Congregational Church.

Walker resigned as a major general in the U.S. Army in November after a controversy over his alleged political activities with troops in Germany.

Admission at the arena was by $1 donation.

Many in the audience carried small American flags. Two large placards in the crowd read "We Want Walker."

Books on Sale

Books, including J. Edgar Hoover's "Masters of Deceit," and magazine subscriptions were for sale as well as a 25-cent booklet, "Censorship and Survival." It carries a complete text of the ex-general's remarks before the U.S. Senate Armed Service Committee and his picture on the cover.

A man who identified himself as Anthony Butkovich tethered a white horse outside the arena. When asked to explain its significance, he said:

"It is a visible sign and

WALKER SPEECH

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warning that American patriots intend to fight communism."

The program opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner." After an invocation by the Rev. James W. Fifield Jr., pastor of the First Congregational Church, the audience sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Walker's subject was "Make Mine Freedom."

A question and answer period followed his talk. Benediction was said by Rabbi Max E. Merritt.

It was announced that proceeds of the night would go to the educational program of the Freedom Club.

Los Angeles Times

Date 1-12-62

Los Angeles Division

Editor: NICK B.WILLIAMS

RE: Edwin A Walker
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Los Angeles, California
January 12, 1962

EDWIN A. WALKER
Former Major General,
U. S. Army
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Edwin A. Walker, resigned Army Major General, addressed a crowd of over 14,000, Los Angeles Sports Arena, January 11, 1962, was interrupted by five long ovations, one coming after he charged the administration with permitting U. S. soldiers to become "an agency of the United Nations." "These sons of ours have been taught to forget their allegiance to our country and become a tool of a world agency that is nothing more than an instrument of Soviet Russia - the United Nations."

Walker also condemned the U. S. remaining in the U. N., for which Walker had roars of approval in a standing ovation. Walker also stated: "That the efforts and sacrifices of these military forces have been so badly undermined by the State Department and their leadership, that this great Nation is in dire peril."

Walker charged collaboration by American forces with the communists under the U. N. in Korea and in the recent action in the U. N. operation in Katanga Province, stating "The only difference is that in Korea, we fought communists and in Katanga we are fighting anti-communists. In Korea we secretly collaborated with the communists. In Katanga, we openly collaborate."

Walker also condemned President Eisenhower for his celebrated "co-existence" with the Russians. Benediction was said by Rabbi [redacted] It was announced that the ticket receipts at $1.00 each would go to educational program of First Congregational Church of Los Angeles' Freedom Club, sponsors of event. b6 b7C

Above summarizes coverage of meeting by Herald-Examiner, January 12, 1962; similar detailed news reports appear in Los Angeles Times and Hollywood Citizen-News.

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EDWIN A. WALKER

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Walker [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Walker was given private dinner party January 11, 1962, home of [redacted]

Above source continued that [redacted] Source said Walker was expected to depart Los Angeles January 12, 1962, destination not known to source.

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-5164)(C)

RE: GENERAL EDWIN A. WALKER
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'TEXAS' OVATION

Walker Claims GI's Aiding Commies

A near capacity crowd of 13,000 heard former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker in the Los Angeles Sports Arena last night "demand a revaluation of our relationship to the United Nations."

The 53-year-old Texan, who quit the Army last November rather than submit to what he termed censorship, stated: "My cause is not anti. It is pro American—first, last and always.

"The day your son enters the military, he is no longer an American citizen. He is an agent of the United Nations. U.S. soldiers are assisting and supporting the communists in Katanga" as members of the U.N. force in the Congo.

Walker spoke on "Make Mine Freedom" under auspices of the Freedom Club of the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles.

Regarding the charge that he attempted to indoctrinate troops in Germany, he said: "I was charged with nothing, I was found guilty of nothing, and I was punished for nothing."

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Walker Says GI's Aiding Communists

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back to Stalin" at the end of World War II.

Walker said he believes U.S. troops could have taken the uranium mines of Czechoslovakia. When asked "if we can't have a United Nations along our lines rather than get out of it," his reply was that it would be futile to try because "Russia has got us outvoted."

OPINION SAMPLED

A sampling of public opinion among people in the audience following the meeting produced these remarks:

Edward Lukas of West Los Angeles commented: "I'm proud that I'm a member of the John Birch Society; and to count myself with General Walker and Paul Talbert (who was on the speaker's platform)."

"I'm not for pulling out of the U.N.," said Marion Styles of Sylmar, "but I would vote for Walker if he runs for President."

David Weisner of Beverly Hills commented: "General Walker was correct when he said that people called Columbus an extremist. It takes an extremist to do things."

Dr. L. A. Alesen, director emeritus of the Freedom Club, announced the club next month will have Robert Welch, founder of the Birch Society, as its guest speaker. It was also announced that proceeds of last night's meeting would go to the educational program of the Freedom Club. A dollar donation was asked of each person as the price of admission.

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VISITS IN PALOS VERDES

Walker Tells Problems Confronting Americans

By FLOYD RINEHART
Daily Breeze Staff Writer

They grow 'em tall down Texas way.

And, Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker is no exception. He's tall in stature and in principle.

Since he resigned his commission as a U.S. Army general in November to actively participate in the American struggle against communism, Walker has skyrocketed to national and international prominence.

Following his anti-Communist talk Thursday night before 13,000 Southlanders at Los Angeles Sports Arena, Walker took time out to visit friends living in Palos Verdes Estates.

Walker was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Clay, 1404 Granvia Altamira.

Clay served as a major under Walker during World War II when Walker was in command of the 1st Special Service Force, combined Canadian-American paratroop group.

Two other members of the former special service group, James J. Kurzhal, San Francisco, and Dr. George Evashwick, Long Beach, and their wives also were on hand during the Friday night dinner party.

Walker has joined the ranks of other, now famous military men, who were "fired" from their posts for running against administrative political tide, including Gens. Douglas MacArthur and William (Billy) Mitchell.

Walker resigned his commission as a general last November, after he was relieved of his post as commandant of the 24th Infantry Division, stationed in Augsberg, West Germany.

He was relieved following charges he told his troops how to vote and indoctrinated them with John Birch Society anti-Communist material through a troop education project—Pro Blue Program.

During an exclusive interview with Walker, at the Clays home, he said the Pro Blue Program was an inspiration to the 24th Division.

Its basic intent was to re-establish sense of determination and inspire responsibility as soldier-citizens, loyalty to the U.S. and make friends with the Germans.

"During my 17 months of command with the 24th, probably 20,000 troops and 15,000 dependents took part in the Pro Blue Program," Walker said.

"However, the program was hampered by high turnover of troops—about 50 per cent annually."

Walker said the program would have taken another year to reach full effectiveness.

He said, although, the Pro Blue Program still exists, "it is a long way from what it was seven months ago."

"The seven persons responsible for its administration have been transferred elsewhere in the Army," said Walker.

Querried about his basic reasons for becoming a member of the John Birch Society, Walker said:

"It began when I served in the Korean War.

"It stems from a determination to find out why the U.S. was not allowed to win the Korean War."

Walker said in 1959 he began an investigation to find out which groups in the U.S. were most effective in carrying on causes of the U.S.

"I found in the John Birch Society a common cause, interest and purpose, directed to recognize and expose the enemy—communism," Walker said.

Walker also said if he were not a member of the society now, he would immediately join in opposition to anti anti-communism in the U.S.

Walker said the effectiveness of the John Birch Society is seen in resistance to it by Communists and left-wingers.

A reawakening of the American spirit is growing tremendously," according to Walker.

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(Daily Breeze photo)

"True Americanism is making great strides now," he said.

"It is scaring the Communists to death and is indicated by the 1960 Communist Manifesto, calling for open fight against anti-Communist causes."

Walker said two other major targets of Communist subversion are military services and at least a generation of American youth.

Mexico Next

An observation made by Walker is that Mexico is marked by the Communists as the next Latin American country to go under its yoke.

In support of his statement, Walker said it is known from reports inside Mexico and the El Paso press, arms are being shipped to ex-president of Mexico, Cardenas, for revolutionary purposes.

"These arms are being landed in Mexico from the same sources which gave arms to Castro," Walker said.

In answer to queries in connection with his anti-Communist talk in the Sports Arena, Walker said popular response was beyond his greatest hopes.

"I didn't think the Sports Arena would be half filled; instead, there was a near capacity audience in attendance. It was tremendous."

Good Grasp

Walker said audience response to many points he made during the address is indicative Southern Californians have a good grasp of world conditions.

In addition, Walker said he has received similar responses from audiences in Dallas, Amarillo and the Southern states where he has spoken.

His next talk will be given Jan. 20 in Midland, Tex. The speech is planned for nationwide radio hookup and relay to Stuttgart, Germany.

People Dissatisfied

Walker said it is obvious persons throughout America are dissatisfied with present world conditions and government handling of problems in the life-or-death struggle against the Communist menace.

"American military commanders dare not move without first consulting political functionaries," Walker said.

He said it might be three days to a week before the green light is given from Washington to take action.

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JBS Eyes on Walker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12—Retired Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker's candidacy for governor of Texas appears to be unwelcome to conservatives on two counts.

It materially reduces his effectiveness as a witness before the Stennis subcommittee on the purported muzzling of the military.

He was slated to appear as a military hero who forfeited his retirement pay in order to crusade against communism. By this action, he has added that overtone of right-wing politics which had been charged against him by his civilian superiors.

The Walker candidacy will drain off funds which the conservatives badly need and will tend to identify them with the John Birch Society, of which the general admits he is a member. Many of them had taken up his cause against the Pentagon and had hoped to use him in various campaigns in and outside Texas.

On His Own

Walker refused to take political advice of any kind from his principal sponsor, Sen. Thurmond, South Carolina Democrat, and from the two Texas Republican members of Congress, Sen. Tower and Rep. Alger.

Thurmond is particularly embarrassed, as he demanded and got the Stennis hearings. Tower and Alger wanted him to postpone political action and possibly later run as a Republican.

No one here is particularly surprised that the general has chosen a course which seems to his would-be mentors unwise. From the moment he began his public appearances, it was clear he lacked political instinct either good or bad. The only role possible for him was that of earnest hero.

Pulling Power!

He told reporters when he filed in the Democratic primary last weekend as governor he believed he could help stop "the American retreat from victory based on a no-win policy."

American voters have still to elect a governor for foreign policy reasons, a fact of political life with which the very much better known Richard Nixon is wrestling in California.

The Walker candidacy will have meaning, however, in that it will afford some idea of the true pulling power of the issues promoted by the Birchers.

Press surveys indicate the sentiments they profess are more firmly and more widely rooted in Texas and California than anywhere else.

Walker will be running in an impressive field which includes Gov. Price Daniel and former Navy Secretary John Connolly, a protege of Vice President Johnson. If he does at all well, it will be significant.

Californians Watch

The Texas primary is May 5. One month later, men holding roughly the Walker views will be running in the California primary for the Republican nominations for governor and senator. Two incumbent Republican congressmen who are Birch Society members are also seeking renomination.

If the conservatives do well with Walker in Texas, it might mean a last minute, all-out effort will be forthcoming in California.

The Texas situation is, nationally speaking, a challenge to the Vice President. The Daniel candidacy is a blow to his hopes for Connolly, as incumbent governors are hard to beat.

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Goldwater, Tower Knock Out Aid for Walker Rally Speech

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 13—Former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker was knocked off the program of a forthcoming Madison Square Garden rally as a result of objections by Sens. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., and John G. Tower, R-Tex., it was learned today.

At the same time, Tower took the leadership in pressing the State Department to approve a visa for Katanga President Moise Tshombe to visit this country and be honored at the same March 7 rally in New York.

Tower, Sen. Thomas J. Dodd, D-Conn., and Vice President Lyndon Johnson were lunching with Secretary of State Rusk today to discuss the Tshombe problem, the Texan's office said. Also invited were Sens. Albert Gore, D-Tenn.; Frank J. Lausche, D-Ohio; Frank Church, D-Idaho; Mike Mansfield, D-Mont.; Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn.; George Aiken, R-Vt., and John J. Sparkman, D-Ala.

Sen. Thomas J. Dodd, D-Conn., also was invited, but sent his regrets.

Tower had told newsmen in advance that he and Dodd intended to discuss the request of Tshombe, head of the Congolese Katanga government, for a visa to enter the United States.

Walker's invitation to appear at the rally sponsored by Young Americans for Freedom was withdrawn yesterday. The organization announced that it had advised the former general his appearance might be taken as an endorsement of his candidacy for governor of Texas.

A spokesman for Tower said the question of Walker's appearance was raised with both senators, who are to deliver major addresses at the rally, before the former Army troop commander jumped into the Texas gubernatorial race.

Tower, it was said, suggested that if Walker got into politics, he would become a partisan and that it might be well to ask him to withdraw from the rally.

After Walker's candidacy became official, the Young Americans for Freedom officials decided to make no change in the program, it was said.

Goldwater then was reported to have told the group he would not participate if Walker was retained. Tower apparently shared this feeling but did not take as blunt a position.

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Walker, who resigned from the Army in a dispute over troop indoctrination, made the charge in a filmed segment of a TV documentary on conservatism (CBS reports—"Thunder of the Right").

The former general, who now is a candidate for Governor of Texas, said:

"Since 1933, we have perpetrated and perpetuated a Frankenstein monster, the Russian conspiracy. Three decades of Potomac pretenders, including New Dealers, Fair Dealers, red herrings, co-existence artists, and UN one world, new frontiersmen, have conspired in the liquidation of our Constitutional Government by, for and of the people.

"It is not necessary to go into the motives of the architects of 16 years of disaster. When a football team loses all its games for 10 years, it is time to change the whole team."

Texas oil millionaire H. L. Hunt, in another segment, went back even further than Walker:

"I think Calvin Coolidge turned in the last successful Administration, and that's been a long time ago."

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Hargis Assails Handling Of Gen. Walker's Case

Battling Billy James Hargis, taking time out in Santa Ana Thursday from a week-long Christian anti-communist crusade in Anaheim, paused long enough to scorch the "so-called liberals who pride themselves as champions of civil rights."

Dr. Hargis said he was "stunned by their silence in regard to the treatment of Gen. Edwin A. Walker.

"Could it be that our liberal civil rights spokesmen are only political experts and not truly interested in the preservation of our Bill of Rights," Hargis asked.

Hargis, who resigned a pastorate in Oklahoma 12 years ago to launch a one-man fight against communism, will wind up his stay at Anaheim with talks tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

The Christian Crusade founder will speak each evening at 7:30 at the Central Baptist Church, 227 N. Magnolia. He has a fourth speech set Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Hargis said he has often been frustrated during his anti-communist fight but never so discouraged as during the past few months. Gen. Walker's imprisonment during the Oxford, Miss. riots was a particular jolt, Hargis said.

"Gen. Walker was denied even basic rights," Hargis commented. "Without the consent of his family or a hearing he was whisked away from Mississippi to a mental hospital in Missouri.

"He was committed," Hargis continued, "on the findings of a psychiatrist who never examined him and by a judge who never saw him."

Hargis said the Walker incident indicated Attorney General Robert Kennedy was "more interested in silencing his political opponents" than he was in obeying the law.

"No minority group in America should sleep well tonight," the Oklahoman said. "This action smacks of dictatorship. You could expect this in Russia or Nazi Germany, but it is hard to believe this is happening in the United States."

Hargis said he wasn't defending Walker's presence in Mississippi.

"Personally I don't think he should have been there," he said. "But I am defending his rights as an American citizen. It is my hope that this extreme action will so arouse the American people that they will defeat every political liberal that seeks election in November."

Hargis' talks tonight through Sunday are entitled, "The Supreme Court Vs. God and Good Government," "Can America Survive Two More Years Under Kennedy," "The Facts About Communism and the Nation's Council of Churches," and "United Nations — The Greatest Hoax Ever Perpetrated on the American Public."

Hargis, incidently, was greeted in Anaheim Monday by Paul Liefield, principal of the Central Baptist School, who recalled he once before had met the roving crusader . . . at the biblical city of Dothan, 75 miles north of Jerusalem in 1954.

Liefield was at Dothan on an archeological expedition while Hargis was at work sending scripture-carrying balloons behind the Iron Curtain.

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AT PRESS CONFERENCE—Former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, left, and evangelist Billy James Hargis meet press at Jonathan Club. They will speak tonight at Christian Crusade in Shrine Auditorium. Times photo

Walker Will Oppose Rockefeller, Kennedy

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Former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker arrived here Tuesday with the avowed purpose of seeing that neither President Kennedy nor Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York is elected to the Presidency in 1964.

"So far as I can see, they are one and the same party," Walker said in a press conference at the Jonathan Club.

He arrived in a rented bus as part of an "Operation Midnight Ride" troupe headed by evangelist Billy James Hargis, founder-director of Christian Crusade, an anti-Communist organization with headquarters in Tulsa, Okla.

Both will speak at a rally in Shrine Auditorium at 7:30 tonight. This is the 29th city they have visited.

Walker said audience responses have showed the people resent Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy and that he is losing votes for his brother's administration.

Concerning Cuba, Walker said, "The people are interested in the Cuban Freedom Fighters and can't understand why the only overt active action against Castro is being cut off by the State Department."

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Walker Attacks Both Parties at Shrine Rally

Former General Also Blasts High Court, United Nations as Being Led by Leftists

Democrats, Republicans, the United Nations and the National Council of Churches all came under fire Wednesday night from the leaders of Operation Midnight Ride.

Former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker and Oklahoma evangelist Billy James Hargis closed out a nationwide speaking tour before an estimated 4,500 persons in Shrine Auditorium.

Walker, after leading the crowd in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," lashed at both of America's major political parties.

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Neither party has stopped the advance of communism, he said. We the people had better change our loyalty 100% from a party to our country.

Liberals of both parties support each other. The names Democrats and Republicans don't mean anything. One ordered troops into Little Rock and the other ordered troops to Mississippi.

You have got Bobby Kennedy as attorney general of the United States. And look at your Supreme Court. It has gone to the left so far it has encircled itself three times.

Eisenhower put Earl Warren on the Supreme Court and President Kennedy put Arthur J. Goldberg there. "I don't see much choice."

Walker also rapped the United Nations and accused U.N. Secretary General U Thant of being a Marxist.

Hargis, founder and director of Christian Crusade, led off the program with his attack at the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Council of Churches.

Fifty NAACP pickets paraded with placards in front of the auditorium during the program. Other persons picketed the building with pro-Walker placards.

CLOSE OUT TOUR—Former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, left, and evangelist Billy James Hargis as they closed out nationwide speaking tour at Shrine. (Times photo)

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EDWIN A. WALKER

Walker Raps Bob Kennedy

Former Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker, who speaks in Shrine Auditorium tonight, has no love for Bob Kennedy.

He slashed out at the attorney general yesterday afternoon in a press conference at the Jonathan Club, and added Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, the State Department and traitors to the list.

Walker is in Los Angeles on what he calls a nation-wide "Midnight Ride" to alert Americans to the dangers of communism. In this latter-day Paul Revere venture he is riding tandem with evangelist Billy James Hargis, founder-director of the Christian Crusade.

"There is no doubt Bobby Kennedy is a liability to the Administration, and is losing votes," Walker said. "The public has shown it has no confidence in the attorney general."

Walker, who was arrested on Federal charges of inciting to riot during the Oxford, Miss., racial school dispute, continued:

"We elected one Kennedy and Bobby makes it a crowd."

Walker also said one of his main efforts is to keep Rockefeller out of the White House and defeat Kennedy in 1964.

In a far-ranging discussion, Walker also dealt with Cuba: "I'd take Cuba as Khrushchev took it and hold it as he has."

With the State Department: "The State Department is infiltrated with anti-Americans, and they're responsible for our troubles with communism."

With the Defense Department: "Arthur Sylvester is muzzling the military and is managing news to the American people."

With Defense Secretary McNamara: "He's running the show in Cuba."

And further with Mississippi: "If they could negotiate 11 years on Berlin, they could have negotiated 11 days at Oxford."

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Walker: Ike, Kennedy, UN All Wrong

By GERRY McCARTHY

Both major political parties, the United Nations and the National Council of Churches are today's main stumbling blocks to true democracy, according to Gen. Edwin Walker and evangelist Billy James Hargis.

Before more than 6200 last night in the Shrine Auditorium, Gen. Walker and Evangelist Hargis scored the Kennedy and Eisenhower Administrations for their "insincerity to the American people."

Walker and Hargis have been participating in "Operation: Midnight Ride," which started six weeks ago in Miami, Fla. At the auditorium last night Hargis and Walker gave a scathing denunciation of President Kennedy and his Administration.

In a choked up voice, Gen. Walker opened his program by leading the audience in a rendition of "Onward, Christian Soldiders." Before lashing out at prior and present political parties Walker said:

"Our troops on foreign soil will get no word of this patriotic meeting. The whole free world begs to know where's America? What's our policy? They as well as all of us would like to know the answer to that.

"The people of East Germany, Viet Nam and countless other Iron Curtain countries beg for information of a patriotic meeting such as ours.

"The news of these meetings is suppressed. Our Administration apparently doesn't consider such news newsworthy."

Gen. Walker cited the recalcitrance of the citizens in joining the crusade against communism by saying:

"Neither party has stopped the advance of communism. We the people had better change our loyalty 100 per cent from our political party to our country.

"Both parties follow the United Nations. Both parties have given aid and assistance to our enemies. Liberals of both parties support each other. The Democrats and Republicans don't mean anything.

"You have now Bobby Kennedy as attorney general of the United States. And look at your Supreme Court! It has gone to the left so far it has encircled itself three times.

"Eisenhower put (Earl) Warren on the Supreme Court and (President) Kennedy put (Arthur J.) Goldberg there. I don't see much choice."

Gen. Walker told why he resigned his commission in the U.S. Army and also any affiliation with a political party, saying:

"I refuse to be controlled by any party. I refuse to be a member of any party that puts the United States troops under the direction of the United Nations.

"The United Nations has laid the United States wide open to invasion. The United Nations is a tool of Russia. We support an organization that is definitely out to kill democracy in our country."

Gen. Walker alleged three recent mistakes were made in President Kennedy's Administration, and said they were:

"His 'no win' policy; the disarmament program of this country and placing arms control under the United Nations, and the Cuba fiasco.

"As far as the Cuban situation is concerned, we should have done what Russia did—take over and hold it, no holds barred. Instead we didn't. Now we have an enemy only 90 miles from our borders.

"I would demand a full scale investigation of the State Department on this and many other mistakes they have made in the past few years."

Evangelist Hargis, founder and director of Christian Crusade, led off the program with blasts at the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Council of Churches.

Prior to the speeches, more than 100 pickets paraded in front of the auditorium boosting and condemning Gen. Walker and evangelist Hargis.

Following the speeches, John B. Rousselot, official of the John Birch Society, presented a plaque to Gen. Walker that described him as "the greatest living American."

Thomas Bradley, who upset Councilman Joe E. Hollingsworth in the primary, was one of the pickets, and said he was appearing as a member of the NAACP and a private citizen.

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Scathing denunciations

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JOINT RALLY of the CHRISTIAN CRUSADE and "PRO-BLUE organized by BILLY JAMES HARGIS and General EDWIN A. WALKER respectively.

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This rally was held at the Shrine Auditorium on April 3, 1963, at 7:30 p.m. Upon entering the Shrine Auditorium, there was observed approximately fifty (50) anti-Walker pickets parading in front of the Auditorium. Some of those known were: [redacted] b6 b7C The picket signs carried the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE sponsorship and set out to identify General WALKER as anti-Negro. Also parading in front of the Shrine were approximately sixty (60) pro-Walker demonstrators carrying placars praising General WALKER. The anti-Walker picket line was composed of approximately forty-two (42) Negroes and eight Caucasians. A pro-Walker picket line was entirely Caucasian.

Upon entering the meeting hall, a donation of one-dollar ($1.00) was taken. It is estimated that there were approximately 6300—6500 persons in attendance.

The meeting was opened by a prayer given by a Baptist Minister, name unknown; this was followed by the pledge of allegiance led by BILLY J. HARGIS.

The first speaker of the evening was REV. HARGIS who referred to the picket line in front of the Auditorium and their being sponsored by the NAACP. HARGIS stated that he had in the past not referred to the NAACP in any of his speeches but in the last three meetings that his organization had had, the NAACP had seen fit to picket. HARGIS said, "If its a fight they want, they've come to the right man." HARGIS then gave the facts that the NAACP was not a Negro organization at all but an organization run by a white group and a white leader. He referred to the statements made by the press and the "liberals", that the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY was a completely monolithic organization. If you want to see a real monolithic organization that has existed for years, take a look at the NAACP and yet you read nothing about the one-man leadership of this organization.

HARGIS then talked about the number of COMMUNIST speakers that were now appearing on the campuses of our United States Universities, relating that the apologists, liberals, and do-gooders call this academic freedom, freedom of speech, and intellectualism and yet, when the pro-Americans, "right-wingers", tried to get on campus, they are referred to as the stupid set and not allowed on campus. "All I can say is, thank God I'm a stupid pro-American."

MR. HARGIS then related about the thousands and thousands of parcels of mail coming into the United States from the Soviet Union relating that the COMMUNIST PARTY every year sent in more than fifty (50) different publications attacking the United States. Prior to the time of the Kennedy administration, this was stopped, but now that KENNEDY is in with one of his seven dwarfs, DEAN RUSK, they not only have lifted the ban on the CP mail coming into the United States, but now we pay the postage to have it delivered. You ask, how can we stop this; By breaking off diplomatic relations with the Communists.

HARGIS related to the event of sending 26,000 troops to insure the attendance of [redacted] because according to little Bobby, (referring to KENNEDY), this was the law of the land as set forth according to BOBBY by the Supreme Court. Maybe BOBBY doesn't understand that the Supreme Court is not a law-making body assuming and giving BOBBY the benefit of the doubt, that the Supreme Court were a law-making body, we might ask why BOBBY has not forced the COMMUNIST PARTY members to register under the law of the land. This law has been violated since 1961 and no Communist has registered to this date. In HARGIS' opinion, the only reason that the Kennedys forced the integration issue was a vote-getting move for the 1963 elections.

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HARGIS then referred to the Communist Party program stating that their number four world-wide objective was to rid the United States of the HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES. He then referred back to the NAACP and REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, telling about KING's attempt to get Presidential clemency for FRANK WILKINSON, head of the anti-HCUA movement.

HARGIS then went in to the CP domination of the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES and their stand on being against the House Committee, for Red China, and their general agreement with the Communist Party stand on most issues. He stated that the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES was a typical example of wolves dressed in sheeps clothing. MR. HARGIS spoke of the 19 "clergymen" who are now touring the United States from the Soviet Union calling them agents of the Communist conspiracy. These 19 clergymen were here at the invitation of the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES and the National Council was aiding the Communist conspiracy. He then stated that the National Council will start this coming year to bring more clergymen from the USSR to the United States as educators in our cemeteries, he rapidly corrected this word and said seminaries. Not only will these agents be teaching in our seminaries, but they will bring "students" with them from the Soviet Union purportedly for an education in religion. He then recommended that the House Committee do a complete investigation on the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES. HARGIS closed his speech by recommending books, literature, and organizations that patriotic Americans should buy and be members of. He highly recommended the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

The next order of business was a collection for money to support the two organizations responsible for this meeting. HARGIS explained that the money would be divided equally between the two organizations. HARGIS then introduced General EDWIN A. WALKER, Resigned.

General WALKER went over to speak to the organist and he immediately started leading the audience in singing - Onward Christian Soldiers. WALKER started by stating that after he had seen the conspiracy in Government, he had resigned from the Military to be free. He stated that he refuses to be any part of the United Nations organization and that both parties, Republican and Democrat, stand for the United Nations and their no-win policy and have teamed up with the enemy. Neither party has done anything to stop the advance of Communism. Its about time that we change our loyalty from a party to a country. At this time, General WALKER looked down at a photographer who had been standing up waiting to take a photograph for about five minutes and WALKER asked him to leave and all the rest of the photographers to, which they did. WALKER then went on stating that there was little difference between the two parties. One administration had gone into Little Rock and the other had gone into Mississippi. WALKER talked about the Korean no-win policy and how the American troops would use their artillery to smash the implacement of the enemy one day and the next day the United Nations would order them to cease fire until the enemy could rebuild their implacements. The administration used the excuse for their non-win policy that the supply line had extended to such a degree that it would be impossible to fight a winning war. WALKER then said I wonder what excuse now they'll use in Cuba as our supply line will only need to be 90 miles long and their's will have to be 7000 miles long. He stated that all we would have needed to take Cuba during the invasion was a loud boo and six destroyers sitting off the coast.

KENNEDY may soon have to explain why he keeps talking about an all-out Atomic war when for the last 20 years, there has not been one missile fired yet and in most cases there hasn't been a fifteen cent shell fired. WALKER stated that BOBBY KENNEDY was the greatest liability to the present administration. He explained that during the last two administrations each of the presidents had a brother they could throw the blame on, IKE had MILTON, and JACK has BOBBY. WALKER said that during this entire administration, the administration had conspired with a satanic force and in every case, we have lost. WALKER's last statement was that when he was still in the Military, DEAN ACHESON made a speech before the War College and stated, "There is no place in international relations for morality."

After WALKER's speech, BILLY J. HARGIS said he had a surprise for the audience. He then introduced JOHN ROUSSELOT. ROUSSELOT have a short speech regarding the Birch Society and some other matters already covered in this report.

There were no unusual happenings either inside or outside of the meeting hall. See literature handed out in front and in the meeting and newspaper clippings, as listed:

Card: Listing Patriotic Program Log of radio and TV programs that are helping to preserve the American way of life;
Envelope (2) (for those who wish to send donations to the two organizations
Card: (suitable for mailing) For signing requesting that the all new Christian Crusade magazine be mailed to signature's home.
Handbill: Entitled "The Mark of Moscow" by Dr. T. J. Toma
Handbill: Entitled "Washington Report" by Congressman James B. Utt and printed by Keep America Committee
Handbill: Entitled "National Law Enforcement Committee" and distributed by Keep America Committee
Handbill: Entitled "Call For Action!" put out by Orange County Committee for Economic Freedom
Copy of Common Sense (newspaper) Issue No. 392, dated Oct. 1, 1962 and copy of Common Sense (newspaper) Issue No. 388, dated July 1962
Handbill: Entitled "Revolution in the United States" put out by Universal Millennium Groups, 1700 E. Anaheim St., Long Beach, Calif.
Also copies of newspaper articles (clippings) from L.A. Times and Herald-Examiner, dated April 3rd and 4th, 1963.

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GENERAL EDWIN P. WALKER

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on August 10 - 11, 1965, as follows:

A demonstration was planned at Woodrow Wilson High School, Long Beach, California, on August 10, 1965, where General Walker was scheduled to appear as a speaker in criticism of Administration policy with respect to war in Vietnam. It was expected that there would be 100 demonstrators picketing this function, representing the Young Democrats, Women's Strike for Peace, Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy, and civil rights and church groups.

Twenty-one demonstrators arrived at 7:00 p.m., being later joined by others with a total of thirty-five picketing. Included among them was one female Negro and two male Negroes with the balance of the group distributed about evenly among male and female young Caucasians. The demonstrators appeared to be led by [redacted] while participating in the demonstration, carried a United States Navy Reserve identification card in his mouth. b6 b7C

Some of the signs carried bore the following:

"Bomb China With Food"
"Would You Kill Your Sons, Why Kill Theirs"
"Why Are We Burning And Killing People of Vietnam - To Prevent Elections?"
"Ballads Not Bombs"
"War On Poverty Not People"
"Negotiate Vietnam"

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GENERAL EDWIN P. WALKER

"No More Escalation"
"A Former General I Can't Believe It"
"Walker For President, Hitler For Vice President"

The placards did not indicate what organizations were represented by the demonstrators.

It was estimated there were 1,500 in attendance for General Walker's speech with $1.00 admission charge.

It was announced at the meeting that General Walker's appearance was sponsored by the Long Beach Chapters of the John Birch Society. Walker criticized the Administration for moving toward a one world government. He was critical of alleged appeasement methods by Secretary of State Dean Rusk. Walker said the politicians, not the military, are controlling the war in Vietnam and have adopted a no-win policy.

The demonstration was peaceful and there were no incidents between demonstrators and Birch Society members.

Supervisor John S. Temple advised [redacted] of the demonstration at the appearance of General Walker at 1:15 p.m., on August 10, 1965. b6 b7c

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GENERAL EDWIN P. WALKER
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Los Angeles teletypes dated 8/10/65.

Enclosed herewith is an original and ten (10) copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) containing information concerning appearance of General WALKER at Woodrow Wilson High School, Long Beach, California, on 8/10/65, and demonstration held in connection with his appearance.

This information was received from [redacted] by SA [redacted] on 8/10 - 11/65. b6 b7C b7D

A copy of LHM being furnished to Secret Service, Los Angeles.

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[redacted] was advised of anticommunism school meeting 11/18/61 at Hollywood High School; possible parade to Palladium where President KENNEDY will appear before large Democratic audience; possible antinuclear rally across the street at Moulin Rouge parking lot.

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